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AIR FREIGHT UP 21.2 PER CENT IN JANUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 27 -- The nation's scheduled airlines recorded a 21.2 per cent increase in air freight in January, over January, 1983, the largest monthly increase in air freight in 12 years, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, air freight was up 24.6 per cent. Mail was up 13.6 per cent. Total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, was up 21.8 per cent.

In international service, air freight was up 15.4 per cent. Mail was up 16.0 per cent. Total international air cargo was up 15.5 per cent.

Systemwide air cargo, including domestic and international freight and mail, was up 19.7 per cent.

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CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		Domestic Operations			International Operations			TOTAL	TOTAL
		Freight	Mail	Total	Freight	Mail	Total	FREIGHT	CARGO
JANUARY	1984	280,976	87,303	368,279	152,652	26,928	179,580	433,628	547,859
JANUARY	1983	225,477	76,868	302,345	132,242	23,210	155,452	357,719	457,797
PERCENT CHANGE		+24.6	+13.6	+21.8	+15.4	+16.0	+15.5	+21.2	+19.7

NOTES:

Carriers included: Aircal, Air Florida, Alaska, Aloha, American, Capitol, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western. Continental's 1984-1983 data is not included for January.

Northwest data is not included in international operations.